# MAINE EMS INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2002 MAINE EMS CONFERENCE ROOM, AUGUSTA

# MEETING MINUTES

Present: , R. Doughty, P. Knowlton, A. Azzara, S. Leach, C. Pillsbury

**Staff:** D. White, D. Kinney

Guests: Joel Roberts, Melissa Roberts, Trisha Coleman

**1. Call To Order:** The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

Trisha Coleman from the Northeastern Maine EMS office was introduced as a guest to the committee members.

A. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda - None

# 2. Investigations

### A. Investigation #02-05 - Informal Conference

The committee entered executive session for the purpose of conducting an informal conference inre: investigation # 02-05

To enter executive session for the purpose of conducting an informal conference inre: investigation #02-05 (Leach; Azzara – motion carries)

Attending the informal conference was the subject of the investigation, the staff, committee members and guest Coleman.

The committee entered executive session at 1:58 p.m. and exited same at 2:10 p.m.

Following the informal conference, committee deliberation ensued.

Motion: That the subject of investigation # 02-05 willfully violated Maine EMS Rules §11.A.2 – violating a lawful order, regulation or rule of the Board, and §11.A.5 – acting in ways which are dangerous or injurious to the public as evidenced by the licensee's operation of an ambulance vehicle in emergency mode (i.e. reds flashing lights or red flashing lights with siren sounding) when no emergency existed; that the violation is mitigated in that the subject has expressed remorse for the subject's actions and in that the licensee otherwise has a 16

year unblemished record as an EMS provider; that the subject receive a suspension of EMS license for a period of 60 days, all but 45 days suspended and a fine of \$750.00, all but \$300.00 suspended; and that Maine EMS enter into a consent agreement with the subject to resolve this case (Pillsbury; Azzara – motion carries).

# B. – Investigation #01-14 – Committee Review

The committee entered executive session for the purpose of discussing investigations

To enter executive session for the purpose of reviewing investigation #01-14 (Doughty; Knowlton – motion carries).

The committee entered executive session at 2:30 p.m. and exited same at 2:37 p.m.

Consensus of the committee is to schedule an informal conference with the subject of investigation #01-14.

# 3. Applications

### A. Joel Roberts – Informal Review

Applicant Joel Roberts attended an informal review of his application for license. The committee reviewed Mr. Robert's history of criminal convictions.

Mr. Roberts, and his spouse, Melissa Roberts, spoke on his behalf and outlined the positive steps that the applicant has taken since the time of his convictions.

Motion: In re: applicant Joel Roberts, the Committee finds that the applicant's February 1998 convictions for Burglary Class C and Theft, Class B constitute a violation of Maine EMS Rules §11.A.4 – any criminal conduct or conviction, subject to the limitations of Maine statute; that the convictions are mitigated as the applicant has had no other history of criminal convictions, has presented evidence of restitution and compliance with the terms of his probation, has demonstrated responsibility through his affiliation with Tri Town Rescue of West Paris, Maine and by his completion of an EMT-Basic program and has submitted numerous recommendations regarding his efforts at rehabilitation; and that the Committee recommends a consent agreement with the applicant that provides for the licensure of the applicant with the provision that the applicant will surrender any license issued should the applicant be charged with any crime in any state or Federal court, term of said consent agreement to be 3 years (Doughty; Knowlton - motion carries).

- 4. Other None.
- 5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be scheduled as needed. **6. Adjourn** – The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Drexell White, Licensing Agent